

Parking Implementation and Governance Committee

Meeting Date: September 24, 2015

Time: 8:00—9:30 am

Location: Town Manager's Conference Room, Town Hall Annex

Attendance: Steve Biagioni (Arlington Catholic), Steve Byrne (Selectmen), Adam Chapdelaine (Town Manager), Steve Gilligan (Treasurer), Mike Gordon (resident), Mike Morse (Treasurer), Howard Muise (TAC), Corey Rateau

(Police), Leland Stein (Arl. Ctr. Merchants), Laura Wiener (Planning)

Non-members present: Leo McCue (McCue Taxi), Abdullahi Magan (Boston Ride), James Milan (ACMI)

Not present: John Hurd (Chamber of Commerce),

Minutes of 8/25/15 meeting were approved unanimously.

Adam reported on the 9/21/15 Selectmen's meeting where he reported on the progress of this committee. Everything that was recommended in the memo of 9/17/15 was adopted. Dan Dunn requested that we consider developing metrics to evaluate the success of the program, and consider changing from pay-and-display to pay-by-space in the future. Committee thought we might be able to conduct a pilot program in the Broadway Plaza area. A resident raised a concern about the elimination of the distinction between meter spots and permit spots, fearing that the permit holders will use all of the closest spaces to Mass. Ave.

Multi-space meters are installed but not yet collecting money while signs are being made. Committee gave go-ahead on sign language and locations, as submitted by Howard. The lot will have a minimum payment of \$.50, and credit cards a minimum of \$1.00.

Single space meters. A couple of decisions need to be made and then we can go out to bid for meter housings, poles and installation. (Decisions are: size of coin box, iron and nickel or all iron, and new or used) Steve G. raised a concern about coin collection. Laura will check with Somerville and Lexington as to how they collect coins, and whether their meters are all iron or iron/nickel. Committee delegated final procurement decisions to staff. Committee thought the Town should do more outreach to merchants before the meters on the street start working.

New business. Leland raised a concern about improvements to the alley that connects Russell Common to Medford Street. This will be taken up at the next meeting discussion on creating a Parking Benefits District.

Next meeting: October 20, 2015.